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Meeting Between: CPSC staff and members of ASTM E.05-15 Subcommittee Task Groups

Date of Meeting: April 5, 2002

Meeting Site: ASTM Headquarters, W. Conshohocken, PA

Log Entry By: Dale R. Ray, Project Mgr., EC, (301) 504-0962 x1323 

Participants: J. Randy Lawson, NIST (Subcommittee Chairman)
Marcelo Hirschler, GBH Int'l. (Subcommittee Sec'y.)
Tom Fritz, Armstrong World Ind.
Paul Hough, Armstrong World Ind.
Dominick Martucci, SGS/U.S. Testing
David Ryan, Craftex
Herman Forsten, DuPont
John Mueller, NY Ofc. Of Fire Prevention & Control
Frank McGarry, NASFM
Tom O'Toole, ASTM staff
Dale Ray, CPSC

Summary:

The ASTM E.05-15 voluntary standards Subcommittee on Contents and Furnishings includes a Task Group on Small Open Flame Ignition of Upholstered Furniture. This is one of seven active Task Groups reporting at the Subcommittee meeting. The meeting agenda is attached. Dr. Kurt Reimann, BASF Corp., the small open flame task group chairman, was not present. Mr. Ray presented a report on CPSC activities, and invited the task group and subcommittee members to consider presenting statements or test data at the June 2002 CPSC public meeting on upholstered furniture.

In the report by Task Group 4, Precision and Bias Guide for Fire Tests, the group discussed the possibility of outside help in developing precision and bias frameworks for small interlaboratory studies, i.e., those studies in which the number of participating labs does not meet the minimum criteria of the existing E-691 guidelines. Mr. Ray agreed to see whether any CPSC staff resources could be committed to this effort.

The next meeting of the Subcommittee is scheduled for June 23-26 (the small open flame task group is June 25), 2002, in Salt Lake City, UT.

Attachment

AGENDA
ASTM E 05.15 FURNISHINGS AND CONTENTS
APRIL, 2002
ASTM Headquarters, West Conshohocken, PA

2002 APR 16 AM 10:30

The ASTM E 05.15 Task Groups and Subcommittee are scheduled to meet starting at 1:00 PM on Friday, April 5, 2002, and continuing until completion.

Call to Order

Proxies

Introductions

Membership Report

Approval of Minutes, December, 2001

TG 1: Fire Hazard Assessment ----- Marcelo Hirschler
Draft Guide for Upholstered Furniture in Health Care Occupancies

TG 2: Open Flame Ignition of Upholstered Furniture-----Kurt Reimann

TG 4: Precision and Bias Guide for Fire Tests-----Randy Lawson

TG 7: Large Scale Furniture Tests-----Marcelo Hirschler

TG 9: Cigarette Ignition Performance, Filter Paper Method ----- Richard Gann

TG 10: Laboratory Monitor Guide-----Dallas Pinion

Other Business: Terminology Concurrent Main Committee Ballot

Report from TG 8: Ignition Strength of Cigarettes – Fabric Method

Old Business

New Business

Next Meeting

Marcelo M. Hirschler
Secretary ASTM E05.15